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DUESTROW TO DIE.

The Last Hope of the Millionaire Murderer Gone.

GOV. STEPHENS POSITIVELY REFUSES TO INTERFERE.

Waited Till He Heard From the Insanity Experts.

TWO OF THEM AGREE IN A REPORT THAT THE PRISONER IS SANE.

Plain Statement by the Governor of His Reasons for His Decision.

DUESTROW TAKEN TO UNION TO AWAIT THE EXECUTION.

Tuesday the Last Tragic Scene in the Sensational Case Will Be Enacted In the Town Where the Murderer Was Convicted.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 15.—Duestrow, the millionaire murderer, is now clearly within the shadow of the gallows. At 10:20 o'clock this morning Gov. Stephens announced that he would not interfere in the case. This means that Duestrow must hang to-morrow. The Governor's decision was made public immediately after the receipt of a telegram from Drs. Woodson, Combs and Robinson, the experts who went to St. Louis to examine Duestrow as to his mental condition.

The telegram, which was in the nature of a brief report, was to the effect that Duestrow is not insane.

Dr. Robinson, however, dissented from this opinion, and is of the belief that Duestrow is not in sound mental condition.

Gov. Stephens acted on the majority report, which was signed by Drs. Woodson and Combs, both of whom are rated as skilled experts in determining cases of insanity.

Charles Noland of the Duestrow counsel, who has been here several days in the interests of his client, was notified of the Governor's decision by telephone.

It now appears that every resource has been exhausted and there is not a single ray of hope between Duestrow and the gibbet.

To the Post-Dispatch correspondent Gov. Stephens said:

"I refused to interfere in the Duestrow case for the reason that I am assured by a majority of the lunacy commission that the condemned murderer is not insane. Two of the expert physicians say that he is sane, while the third member entertains a contrary opinion. This is too against one in the matter of skilled judgment, and all there is for me to do is to abide by the decision of the majority. I want it understood that I have faith in the wisdom and integrity of our Supreme Court. In my mind there remains not a single legal point to be debated. I only wanted to determine the sanity of the murderer, and now that I am satisfied as to that particular, I can see no reason to warrant me in interfering with the mandate of the Supreme Court. I believe our courts should be sustained, and it is not and will not be my policy to break down Supreme Court decisions on any slight pretext. I could not reconcile my conscience were I to allow an insane man to be hanged, but I am assured that Duestrow is not insane."

It is expected that Drs. Woodson, Combs and Robinson will arrive in Jefferson City from St. Louis this afternoon, when they will file extensive written reports of their examination of Duestrow. Dr. Woodson is Superintendent of the St. Joseph Asylum and Dr. Robinson occupies a like position in the Nevada Asylum. Dr. Combs is a Kansas City physician, whose name has been mentioned frequently here of late in connection with the superintendency of the Nevada Asylum.

Shortly after Attorney Noland, for the defense, was apprised of the Governor's decision by telephone this morning he called

on Gov. Stephens at his office to verify the report. Mr. Noland remained in the Governor's office only long enough to assure himself of the news.

Attorney Noland talked at length to the Post-Dispatch. In substance he said:

"The Governor has made a blunder that is but little short of a crime. He should have given the condemned man the respite asked for in order that we might have resorted to the Supreme Court of the United States."

Mr. Noland wired Gov. Johnson, also of the Duestrow defense, of the Governor's action, and suggested that application be made to the Federal Court in St. Louis for a writ of habeas corpus.

REMOVED TO UNION.

Duestrow Was Taken to the Place of Execution.

Arthur Duestrow was taken to Union, Mo., via the Missouri Pacific Railway, Monday morning. The murderer was guarded only by Sheriff Puchta of Union and Ed Krekel, Town Marshal of Washington, Mo. Duestrow wore a light pair of handcuffs, and the only other precaution against escape was the slight hold the Marshal had of his coat.

Jailer "Butch" Wagner was in a fret and a fume all morning. He quarreled with the reporters and sightseers, and had a great and important time with himself until 8:30 o'clock, when little Sheriff Puchta and his deputy, Krekel, appeared in the Four Courts rounda.

Puchta went directly to the jail, where he picked up a tiny hand satchel he had deposited just inside the door the night before. He took out a light pair of handcuffs and was led directly to Duestrow's cell.

The prisoner was dressed and ready, having been up since 6 o'clock. "How are you, General?" said Wagner and Puchta together.

"I am very well. How are you?" said the prisoner, smiling pleasantly at his interrogators.

"Are you ready to go with us?" said Puchta.

"Certainly," said Duestrow. "I have been waiting."

Puchta led Duestrow to the cage just inside the jail door, there he slipped on the handcuffs without the slightest difficulty. The prisoner, in fact, seemed anxious to be as polite and obliging as possible.

The whole affair was marked by a mock ceremony, but slightly removed from both comedy and tragedy. An incident one way or another could have made it either.

Just before the gates were opened Duestrow was standing with an unlighted cigarette in one of his manacled hands.

"All right," said Jailer Wagner to the guard.

"Attention!" said Duestrow. "Forward, march! Forward, march!" and the party started out.

Duestrow as he emerged from the portals of the jail looked anything but a millionaire. Had he tried to pass as a peddler of an Indian herb remedy or a patent corn salve he would have looked the part to a shade.

His long, oily-looking hair hung down, just covering the collar of his coat, the back of which was thickly sprinkled with dandruff and hair.

On his head was a pearl gray fedora hat

several sizes too small for him and very dinky and soiled. His suit was a light weight black cheviot with a double-breasted coat buttoned clear up to the chin with the lapels thrown forward so as to cover his shirt and collar in front.

He had no overcoat and shivered slightly when he struck the crisp outdoor air, which was in strong contrast to the dead hot atmosphere of the jail. The crowd of loungers and loafers that always hangs around the Four Courts corridor was augmented by a dozen or two sightseers, but altogether the crowd was not a large one.

Most of this mob stampeded to Twelfth



DUESTROW ON HIS WAY TO THE TRAIN, EN ROUTE TO UNION.

MR. CHANEY WILL SOON BE A FREAK.

DOCTORS PUZZLED AT THE MAN'S QUEER AFFLICTION.

HE LOOKS LIKE TWO PERSONS.

One Side of His Body That of a Dwarf and the Other a Giant's.

O. S. Chaney of 815 Bremen avenue is developing into a freak and there seems to be no medication for his strange malady.

His left side is shriveling to the proportions of a dwarf, while the right is attaining abnormal size, attracting nourishment from the rest of the body. His appearance suggests the presence of two bodies in one.

Chaney is a day laborer, and about two weeks ago was forced to give up work on account of a strange weakening in the joint of his right shoulder. This has increased until his right arm has become helpless, while the shoulder began swelling rapidly. He became alarmed and consulted Dr. Randall at the North Side Dispensary.

An examination showed the entire upper portion of the right side of the body was greatly enlarged. The right scapular, or shoulder blade, was swollen to twice its natural size. No signs of inflammation or degeneration of the bone were found. On the contrary, the attraction to it from all the neighboring tissues seemed perfectly natural. The right side is now much larger than the best developed body.

The case is a puzzle to the physicians. Nothing like it is on record, nor has a case ever been reported in that part of the body. Abnormal swelling of the bones of the lower limbs are not infrequent, usually resulting from injury.

Chaney suffers no pain and can report no blow on the shoulder. The physicians fear the scapular may rot, and cost the patient his life, but no signs of this are yet apparent.

Dr. Randall says he is developing into a "natural freak," with none of the organs or tissues diseased.

PURSuing A NEGRO.

He Committed a Heinous Crime in Kentucky.

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., Feb. 15.—Charles Taylor, a negro, criminally assaulted Mrs. Charles Thompson in the absence of her husband. Thompson and his neighbors are pursuing the negro in Mercer County and will lynch him if caught.

TIED OF LIFE.

Ill-Health and Financial Reverses Cause a Suicide.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. MARSHALL, Mo., Feb. 15.—E. K. Cooper, a prominent citizen of Nelson, Mo., aged 50 years, committed suicide this morning by shooting. Ill-health and financial reverses are supposed to have been the cause.

WM. P. ST. JOHN.

Sudden Death of the Banker at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Wm. P. St. John, ex-President of the Mercantile National



WILLIAM P. ST. JOHN.

Bank and Treasurer of the Democratic National Committee, died suddenly at his home in this city last night.

THE WEATHER FORECAST.



FAIR AND COLDER.

The Weather Bureau forecasts are as follows: St. Louis and vicinity—Fair and slightly cooler Monday night, Tuesday day. Missouri—Fair and slightly cooler Monday night in east portion, Tuesday day.

CAPTURED AN ARMED ROBBER.

OLIVER CASH OVERPOWERS A FLEEING HOUSEBREAKER.

THEY MET BY PURE CHANCE.

John Quarles and a Confederate Were Running From Wm. Harnagel's When Cash Met Them.

Oliver Cash of 1513 Bremen avenue did battle with an armed burglar shortly before 9 o'clock Sunday night near the corner of Bremen avenue and North Twentieth street. He overpowered his man and held him until a policeman arrived.

Cash was walking east on Bremen avenue when a woman's screams for help came from the residence of William Harnagel, No. 202.

Cash hastily crossed the street in the direction of the house. Two men came out of the yard and ran up the street. Cash gave chase and overhauled one, the other getting away. His prisoner struggled desperately to break away, but Cash in addition to being plucky, is muscular and proved more than a match for the burglar. He held him firmly and prevented him from drawing a revolver.

Cries for the police were resounding through the neighborhood and Patrolman Fox responded. He took charge of Mr. Cash's captive, as that gentleman was nearly exhausted from the struggle.

The prisoner gave his name as John Quarles, but refused to reveal the identity of his companion.

Blood was trickling from a slight scalp wound inflicted during the struggle with Mr. Cash, presumably from coming in contact with a telegraph pole.

He and his companion were surprised in their work of looting Mr. Harnagel's house. That gentleman and his wife returned from church about 9 o'clock to find things in confusion down stairs. Just as Harnagel was about to investigate a noise of some one moving about came from a rear room.

Mrs. Harnagel shouted for help and started to the back door to prevent the robbers from escaping, while her husband guarded the front exit.

The burglars ran out through the kitchen door, Quarles leading the way. He was unable to pass Mrs. Harnagel and called for assistance from his companion, who, being a large man, pushed her aside, and the two escaped. Only a few articles of clothing belonging to Mr. Harnagel were stolen.

Monday morning Quarles weakened and named his confederate as John Presser, who was arrested later on North Third street.

The men confessed after being thoroughly "sweated."

BURIAL PERMITS.

The following deaths have been reported in the city during the twenty-four hours ending at noon:

MIKE O'BRIEN, 70, City Hospital; bronchitis.

PREPARING TO BULLY GREECE.

FOREIGN FLEETS WILL PROBABLY OCCUPY CRETE.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF CANEA.

Greek Troops Are Expected There Hourly, but May Not Be Allowed to Land.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—According to reports from Canea, the Christians, Sunday morning, began to bombard the town from their position on the heights.

The Turks from the fortress replied to the fire of the Christians. It is reported that the firing was attended with bloodshed. The foreign consuls embarked on board the various vessels lying off the town of Canea. The Greek Consul at Heraklion went on board the Greek warship Nauarchos Miasulis. The Christians at Heraklion are also hurrying on board the ships.

CANEA, Island of Crete, Feb. 15.—There is not much change in the situation here this morning. The foreign consuls, their staffs and the archives of the Consulates remain aboard the foreign warships. The Christian Governor of Crete, Cerovitch Pasha, is on board a Russian man-of-war and the Consul of Greece is on board a Greek war ship.

The skirmishing around town between the Mussulmans and the Christians continues incessantly, with little advantage on either side. Every precaution has been taken to protect the Europeans of all nations who remain ashore. The Mussulmans of Halifa and the Christians of that vicinity are also skirmishing.

The opinion prevails here that the foreign fleets will probably occupy Canea, Retimo and Heraklion to-day or to-morrow. The Admirals have been in constant communication with the shore, and messages of importance are known to have been exchanged between them and their home governments.

All the foreign fleets have been re-ordered, and more warships are expected here and at other towns of the islands to-day.

The Greek fleet has also been re-ordered, and Greek troops are expected to reach here to-day. According to general report, the foreign warships will not permit them to land.

The Mussulmans are now practically confined to Canea, Retimo and Heraklion. Some of the Greek vessels are off the island of Milo.

The Greek warships have not been engaged. The only incident of note in this connection was the stopping of an armed Turkish transport, which attempted to leave Heraklion on Saturday, by a Greek cruiser, which fired two shots as a warning for it to return. It is understood that the foreign Admirals have received suggestions to prevent any open conflict between the Greeks and the Turks.

The resignation of Gerovitch Pasha as Governor of Crete has already been accepted. Despite the official statement there is a real son to believe that he left his post without the Sultan's permission. In his letter to the consuls representing the powers he only stated that he had tendered his resignation.

Although well intentioned, Gerovitch Pasha has shown a lamentable lack of courage during the recent troubles. He practically abandoned the direction of affairs at a critical moment. It must, in all fairness, be said that the task imposed upon him was one of extraordinary difficulty. Without gendarmes, without law courts, supported by military subordinate officers in Constantinople and harassed by his administrative council, he has no means to make his authority respected. It must also be borne in mind that the sudden disappearance of Turkish officials is often due to occult influences. The position of the next Governor will not be enviable.

The closing of the Greek Consulate offices seems to indicate a definite rupture of the relations between Greece and Turkey.

The captain of the Greek warship off Heraklion has threatened to bombard the town if the Mohammedans commit any outrages in that vicinity.

The Russian and French admirals have received identical instructions, enjoining upon them the adoption of energetic measures. This is probably in accordance with the English proposals, which the Embassadors at Constantinople agreed upon, namely, the joint naval occupation of Canea, Retimo and Heraklion, the removal of the Greek fleet and the prohibition of the dispatching of the Turkish reinforcements to Crete.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—In response to a request from the editors of the Chronicle asking him to send a message of hope to Greece, Mr. Gladstone has wired as follows: "I dare not stimulate Greece when we cannot help her, but I shall profoundly rejoice in her success. I hope the Powers will recollect that they have their own characters to redeem."

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—The Greek colony in Chicago was greatly excited last evening over the news of the nominal declaration of war against Turkey by their mother country. These people all say that if there is a war they will hurry back to Greece to take up arms for the land they have left, but have not ceased to love.

There are now about 1,000 native-born Greeks in Chicago, and something over 25,000 in the whole country. Should affairs continue to assume a more serious aspect there is no doubt that a regiment of fighting men will be enlisted in this city. N. Sakaratos, who holds a high position in the esteem of his countrymen, is outspoken in declaring that this should be done. It is said he would not have to call twice for volunteers.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 15.—The opinion in official circles here is that the fleet of the Powers will be instructed to occupy the island of Canea very shortly, and that pressure will be brought to bear upon the Turkey and Greece in order that open war may be avoided. Should actual hostilities commence, Turkey would have little difficulty in sending an overwhelming force of troops into Thessaly. But the Turks fear that the island of Crete in any case is practically lost to the Ottoman Empire.

There are already indications in the Balkan Peninsula that war between Greece and Turkey would be followed by a serious conflict there, and it is feared that the Powers are not yet ready to face such a condition of affairs for eventualities and the calling out of the Greek army reserves of the class of 1880 and 1881 will be lost by

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DUESTROW AND DREHER.
It is possible that many of the readers of the Post-Dispatch believe, what some of them have intimated, that the murderer Duestrow is entitled to a little consideration because he is wealthy than is the murderer Dreher, who is a poor man.

Both these murderers ought to be hung if they are sane. Both are either insane or simulating insanity. And of the two, the poor man, Dreher, appears to have simulated more successfully, if it has been simulation in either case. Both men have been examined by experts several times, and the opinion of these experts have left the question in as much doubt as ever.

The Governor had a delicate and difficult task before him. If his special Lunacy Commission had decided that Duestrow was insane, and a reprieve had been the result, the public would have demanded that Dreher be accorded an equal opportunity. It is true that the case of Dreher has not been brought to the Governor's attention by paid counsel, but it is a matter of public knowledge, which he cannot ignore. If Duestrow escaped capital punishment on the ground of insanity, the people would expect Dreher to be examined by a Special Commission, and, in fact, that his treatment should be in all respects the same as Duestrow's.

If both men had been examined by specially appointed experts and both escaped the gallows, the result might be expected to have a marked effect on all trials of murderers in the future. Simulation of insanity would be the usual means adopted by murderers for their defense. And where experts differ so widely, a number of sane and criminal men would undoubtedly escape just punishment.

MCKINLEY AND SPOILS.
Washington advises indicate that the first raid of the "spoilsmen" under the McKinley administration is to be made on the foreign consuls. The reason for selecting this branch of the civil service as the best point of attack is that doubtless Cleveland's act in extending the law to these offices was a clear usurpation of authority. The "spoilsmen" feel that they can break through that part of the line easier than through any other.

But, when the consularships are all filled, not one per cent of the "spoilsmen" will have been provided for. Then Mr. McKinley will learn from divers and sundry sources that while the frequent extensions of the law in other branches were illegal, the law itself has so many loopholes that every Democrat who is left in office is there by Republican sufferance and not for lack of power, real or technical, to remove him.

Mr. McKinley would not, at best, be strong enough to resist the claims of the men who have elected him. Much less will he defy them when he is looking to the friends and Republicans of these men to support a McKinley policy in Congress.

THE REBO FLOUR BILL.
Representative Rebo writes to the Post-Dispatch in behalf of his bill to compel millers and flour dealers to add another pound of flour to every half-sack package of flour to be placed on the market. He says that at least 3,000,000 people will be benefited by this flour bill, should it become law. "The poor man with, perhaps, ten or twelve children, working for

bread, and who use one-half sack of flour a week, will gain one pound on each sack. Fifty-two weeks in a year will be a gain of fifty-two pounds, at present rates about \$1.25. So much for the poor consumer."

Mr. Rebo also says he has met every argument that has been brought against the bill, and adds that "the bill is equitable and just, and in favor of the poor bread-earner."

Has Mr. Rebo answered the very patent objection to such a bill, that it millers and wholesale grocers are compelled to add another pound of flour to every package, they will add enough to the price of each package to compensate them for the added pound of flour? The same thing would follow if the coffee dealers were compelled by law to add an ounce to every pound of coffee. So with sugar and all other necessities of life.

This could not be prevented except by the State arbitrarily setting the market prices of goods. That, of course, is out of the question. What has Mr. Rebo to say to this objection?

WHAT CAUSED THE CHANGE?
The attempt to bully Mr. Dyer in the House at Jefferson City on Friday last, because he had expressed the opinion that there was something mysterious in the sudden change of front by the Internal Improvement Committee regarding the bill for the reduction of street car fares in St. Louis during certain hours, was a failure. Mr. Dyer kept his head and his temper, and will no doubt be heard from in due time.

Mr. Dyer is not the only man who saw something mysterious in the changed attitude of the committee. It will be remembered that the committee had already voted to report the bill favorably. Mr. Regan of St. Louis was the only member who at that time voted against it. Very shortly thereafter, Mr. Sim Price made his appearance at Jefferson City, and in a day or two Mr. Regan was passing around a paper for signature, asking the members of the committee to reconsider their favorable vote and allow Mr. Price to be heard regarding the bill. Mr. Price made a weak speech, to which Representative Dunn made an unanswerable reply in favor of the bill. A vote was thereupon taken, and all but four of the members of the committee recorded themselves against the bill and in favor of an adverse report.

It will thus be seen that Mr. Sim Price and a weak speech from him were the only new factors which, so far as the public can know, were introduced into the situation, when the committee reversed its action, turned about face and reported adversely upon a bill which only a few days before it had voted to report favorably.

Mr. Dyer was right in saying there was something "mysterious" about this. The obligation is not upon him to prove that there was something mysterious about it. It is mysterious upon its face. It needs explanation. And the burden of explanation is not upon Mr. Dyer, but upon those who experienced the sudden change of heart. What caused the change?

JEFFERSON AND MCKINLEY.
Pictures of the sumptuous private car in which Mr. McKinley will travel to Washington are appearing in the newspapers. Even the ground-plan of the interior is set out in detail, with its bath-rooms, wardrobes, china closets, observation-room and the like.

It may be that Thomas Jefferson rode to the Capitol horseback on the day of his inauguration, because it was easier to get there in that way than in any other at a time of the year when country roads were bad and stage coaches were apt to mire to the hub even on Pennsylvania avenue.

Be that as it may, there is no one who will believe that Thomas Jefferson, at any season of the year, or under any circumstances whatever, would have consented to ride to Washington in any conveyance provided by great private interests to be affected by legislation, or executive action of any kind, in which he as President would have been called upon to act.

If the roads had been too bad for either riding or driving, Thomas Jefferson, rather than demean himself or his great office, would have walked across the fields.

The Chicago bar is fighting the bill before the Illinois Legislature providing a defender for criminals. They offer a substitute bill which provides that when a prisoner shall swear that he is unable to procure counsel the court may appoint an attorney to conduct his defense, the counsel to be paid from the county treasury. The fees are limited to \$100 for defense of murder; \$50 for other felonies, and \$10 for misdemeanors. The prisoner, according to the new bill, shall be allowed to choose his counsel, but the selection is not binding upon the attorney chosen. No attorney shall be compelled to follow the case in another county, or into the Supreme Court. Nor shall he be appointed in more than five cases at any one term of court. This law would give the accused a competent defender, perhaps, but the expense of criminal courts would be greatly increased by it. It is not a good year for introducing reforms that are costly and of doubtful expediency.

At this time of year every man in St. Louis who goes down town takes a load of mud on his shoes, and this is added to the mud already accumulated in that part of the city. Then it dries and is blown into stores and other places where it ought not to be. An employment fund for worthy and destitute men who would work on the bad streets would do a great deal toward making the city pleasanter and more healthful.

The expense of the employment of the New York police in taking care of Mr. Martin's ball came out of the pockets of the tax-payers, though Mr. Martin is well able to pay for a large force of guards at any time. Besides, it must be more or less demoralizing to a policeman to see so much vulgarism in what is represented as the best society.

Chicago bankers, in order to get deposits of public money, become bondmen for city officials, and the Legislature is expected to do something about it, one-fourth of these political bankers having disappeared and left the taxpayers with no protection. Chicago bankers work their city, while New York bankers work the nation.

If Morgue-Keeper White has made \$50,000 in selling dead bodies in the interest of science, there may be money in other

morgues than that of New York. Though dead men tell no tales, there are living witnesses who can enlighten the public.

Boss Quay, as a patriot, ought not to hesitate to give the names of the subscribers to Boss Hanna's slush fund. Throughout the country there is a great desire to know the inside history of the McKinley campaign.

The Minnesota people who are going to colonize in South America are likely to feel the consequences of so marked a change of climate. It would be much safer and better for them to move to Missouri.

With a "billion and fifty million" Congress, the prospect for more bonds in time of peace seems to be very fair. Let us see what kind of a bargain Mr. McKinley will be able to drive with Pierpont Morgan.

Undoubtedly the Government and all our cities should take precautions against the bubonic plague. Even should that not reach us, there are other epidemics that sometimes appear in the summer season.

Speaker Reed and Mr. Cannon are said to be working like Trojans to keep down appropriations. This is a marvelous Republican spectacle. It is wholly new and altogether astonishing.

"Autonomy for the bird when the snake is ready to strike; autonomy for the lamb in the fangs of the wolf." Mr. De Armond has well described the Cuban peace proposals.

A large newspaper circulation is necessary for the best results in advertising. Advertisers should investigate the great and substantial circulation of the Post-Dispatch.

Bad streets keep people at home and make business duller. A fund raised for the employment, on the streets, of men destitute and out of work would help business.

If, as Mr. Moody says, heaven is a city, we may all hope that at least some of us may know the blessing of being permitted to live under an honest municipal government.

The sudden death of the Dunn bill for the reduction of street car fares was certain to excite suspicion. A lobby murder may attract as much attention as any other.

The \$600,000,000 pounds of apples that Germany has bought from the United States this year is a phase of the fruit business well worthy our consideration.

Should Mr. McKinley's millionaires in Washington succeed in surpassing Bradley Martin's exhibition, a great deal of foreign goods will have to be utilized.

Attorney-General Harmon expects to go out in all the glory of having shown that people who have been trying to aid the struggling Cubans are pirates.

We may know that Uncle Pilley is for reform because he objects to the use of city buildings, city lights and city heating for Starkloff meetings.

Boston wants St. Louis bonds, but there should be no St. Louis bonds. Fair assessments and collections will give the city sufficient revenue.

Mr. Seales evidently went to Canton to see Mr. McKinley about advancing the prosperity of the Sugar Trust.

Mr. Hanna thinks the Ohio people will howl if he is not appointed Senator. The new boss is clearly no violet.

The voice of Missouri was distinctly heard in the House on Saturday and it was for free Cuba.

The President is reported happy at the near approach of March 4. And there are others.

The circulation of the Post-Dispatch is substantial, besides being the largest.

Reflections of a Bachelor.
From the New York Press.
Probably a woman could never explain why she cries at a wedding.

When a man says his life is an open book, he means that you can see without a sun-ny smile is just about as monotonous as a white-washed fence.

The more a girl tries to faint gracefully the more she reminds you of a man who has just stepped on a slippery coal-hole cover.

After a girl has once found out what is the proper thing in men's neckties, you can never make her believe that she isn't a good judge of human nature.

The Idle Congress.
From the Springfield (Mass.) Republican.
"Well, Mr. Speaker," said the royal Elizabeth one fine day, "what hath passed in the Commons?" And he answered gravely: "May it please your majesty, five weeks." Such is the situation in the American Congress to-day. A large number of weeks have passed.

The Gloomy Reality.
From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.
Mrs. Bimler: What a dream of delight that ball was! Oh, those clothes, and those diamonds, and those costly wines and exquisite viands—
Jane: What'll we be havin' for breakfast, mum?
Mrs. Bimler: Codfish and potatoes, Jane.

Olney's Treaty.
From the New York Journal.
The liberties the Senate is taking with Mr. Olney's pot treaty will be sure to shock those persons and papers that make a specialty of furnishing the applause for the Administration.

Up and Down.
From the Washington Post.
Our banks and battlements are fairly whistling by each other in their upward and downward flights.

THE FAIRY IN THE PINE.
From the Philadelphia Times.
There's a fairy in the pine tree that no eye hath ever seen.
In her lofty home she croons and weaves her spells.
And the magic that she whispers is a tender charm, I ween.
Or so the olden folks legends tell;
For when youthful lovers breathe their first love vows beneath,
Sweet and low,
The fairy in the pine
Waves a wand in mystic sign.
So they say—
That their love may live for aye
Free from care and strife.
SAMUEL MINTURN PECK.

IN THE PUBLIC EYE.



ROBERT TREAT PAINE.
This is a picture of the Boston philanthropist who is going to advise Chicago in the matter of taking care of her destitute people.

MEN OF MARK.

The town of Venosa, the ancient Venusium, which was the birthplace of Horace, the Roman poet, has decided to erect a monument to him.

Editor Porter, the new President's new Secretary, is described as a tall and graceful man with a winning smile, and a hearty laugh. He is witty, friendly and generous, never offending people on personal grounds.

John W. Gates, now figuring so prominently in the steel pool, called a meeting of campaign contributors in 1892, and was distinguished by his secret success in fully reported next morning by a reporter whom he mistook for a capitalist.

Abner C. Goodell, Sr., of Salem, Mass., who recently celebrated his 92d birthday, is said to have built the first cracker machine, a machine to shave out keg stock, and the first printing press to print both sides of a sheet at once.

France's Senate, which sits in the Luxembourg Palace, has struck against having any more statues of bald-headed poets set up in the Luxembourg gardens. It draws the line at the hairless Paul Verlaine—the last poet honored, Theodore de Banville, Henri Murger and Leonote de Lisle, being also bald.

WOMEN OF NOTE.

Mrs. E. L. Klinger of Albuquerque, N. M., is known as the "Cattle Queen of New Mexico." She owns 13,000 head of cattle.

Miss Winter, the English governess who has lived at the Dutch court for many years, and undertaken the education of the young Queen, has just returned home laden with presents and happy in the possession of an annuity of \$100 a year.

The young Queen has been confirmed, her education is, by a royal fiction, supposed to be completed.

Mr. Holmes, the librarian of Queen Victoria, is making rapid progress with his life of the Queen. It is characteristic of Her Majesty's love of thoroughness that she reviews every page of the manuscript herself, and that she will strike out the slightest biographical error which may occur. The Queen's memory is singularly acute, and she very often surprises her Ministers by correcting them in some detail which, to them, seems trifling, but which to her seems all-important.

Warned, perhaps, by M. Zola's recent painful experience, Sarah Bernhardt has refused to allow the now famous Dr. Toulouse to note down her mental and physical peculiarities in the interests of her researches into the relations between genius and its mortal tabernacles. Dr. Toulouse has been hated by the Lombard school of socialists, and, whenever he takes a great man or woman in hand and by elaborate charts and tables of figures proves that he or she has all the marks to be expected in a person of genius, then the Italian or his followers seize upon the essay and find in it every evidence of degeneracy.

A LITTLE LEVITY.

Mother: You must never put off till tomorrow what you can just as well do today. Freddie: Then let me finish that pie now.—Elegante Blatter.

Willie: It's always in damp places where mushrooms grow, isn't it, papa? Papa: Yes, my boy. "Is that the reason they look like umbrellas, papa?"—Yonkers Statesman.

Maybelle: Hattie is to marry Mr. Goodley, the noted philanthropist. Violet: So? I was told he was engaged in a new charitable project.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

"Do you think there is any such thing as kleptomaniac?" asked the nervous man's wife. "I'm convinced of it," was the reply. "And if I could get into the room of that man who practices on the trombone I'd prove it."—Washington Star.

He: Sometimes I wonder if you really love me. She: As I love the moon. Haven't I called you "Dumpey darling?" "Well?" "And that is a name which, until I met you, I had held sacred to dear little Fido."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Emperor frowned darkly. "Take off the yellow jacket," he commanded. "Yes, sire," replied the Viceroy, bowing low. "In my recent travels, with that very purpose in view, I had the foresight to add an American humorist to my entourage. He is ready to take off any old thing. Live over, O my master."—Detroit Journal.

BETTER STILL.

From the Joplin (Mo.) Globe.
Secretary Francis is to be investigated. It is to be hoped that it will be done by investigators who investigate.

HARMONICS.
From the New York Press.
Dear, when my eyes told the age-old story, Tongue-tied, faltering, breath quick—
Say, did you see where a crimson-tinted glory Star-shot, trembled to a new day's dawn?
Dear—but I saw it! And the rich light leaping, Moon-hung, marvelous, warned by breeze,
Gave to the dim dusk a new and vibrant meaning,
World-wide, scented with the soul's heart's ease.

Dear, then my lips knew no need of any tell-ing!
Dear, then, trembling, caught I up my crown!
For, by that over-glow, my own love's dwelling,
Saw I, lying in your heart deep down.

POST WHEELER.

She: I always have a canter before dinner.
He: And I always have a decanter after.

What Wealth Accomplished.
From the New York Press.
There has lived in this city for many years a man whose connection with extensive railroad systems brought him into prominence throughout the entire country. His figure, seen in Wall street and along Broadway, was hardly less familiar than that of Chauncey M. Depew. This man had a mother in Kentucky. She suffered from dementia, and was incarcerated in a private asylum. Her husband—my man's father—became infatuated with another woman, and as the law of Kentucky prohibited divorce on all except statutory grounds, he and his son devoted a good many thousands of dollars to the purchase of the Legislature and the making of a new law to enable him to rid himself legally of his unfortunate wife. This being accomplished, he married the other woman.

The new wife bore two children, a boy and girl, and when they had reached the ages of 14 and 12 their father died, leaving them handsomely provided for. He was one of the richest men in the State. His first son—my man, my hero—who had helped to dispose of his own mother in the most infamous, inhuman way immediately set about securing for himself all his father's property. To do this it was necessary to get the children out of the way. How do you suppose the villain did it? With ample money at his command and backed by the corporate influence of the State, he prevailed upon the Supreme Court of Kentucky, through able counsel, to declare unconstitutional the law which he and his father had passed to put away his mother! Having accomplished in this way the illegitimation of the two children, and at the same time rendered the marriage of his father with his second wife void, all the property fell to him. He came to New York, where his fortune enabled him to spurge in society. He became a "big man" here.

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OTHERS BESIDES DUESTROW.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
I read in your paper Mrs. Meriwether's plea for Murderer Duestrow. If he is not responsible for the murder of his wife and child, he should be set free. But there are others more unfortunate than Duestrow. Take, for instance, John Schmidt, out at Clayton, who the law says must hang, and who for one year has suffered from the wound that he received at the night of the fatal murder at Webster. He has a loving mother and father, a kind and loving wife, and a family of five children. The Humane Society take up his case. Let some of the ladies go out there and see if the law is justified in hanging young boys, one only 16 or 17, the other 19.

I agree with Mrs. Meriwether that imprisonment for life would be the end of justice in all cases, and I trust and hope that our Governor will so decide.
St. Louis, Feb. 13.

THE BRADLEY MARTIN BALL.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
The following various expressions of sentiments on the famous Bradley Martin ball:
You were right, Mrs. Bradley, astir.
For giving the New York ball.
But I not being invited.
Of course, wasn't there at it?

But I heard that the boys and girls had a good old-fashioned New York ball. That the bands played most of the evening. And the supper was "sublime."

Oh, Mrs. Bradley Martin.
You knew a thing or two.
You gave the New York ball.
And all the molasses, too.
And gave to society chiefs.
As much as the boys and girls.
Your ball will be always remembered.
As the grandest that ever took place.
For it set our country in a new pace.
And proved to us all that we were
As much as the boys and girls.
ALBION M. G. DUNFORD.
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DR. PAQUIN CORRECTS.

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The use of whisky or spirits in any form before meals is, as a rule, injurious. The practice is liable to produce intestinal indigestion, and a consequent weakening of the digestive apparatus.

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BAKER—Situation wanted by a good cake baker. Ad. J. H. 205, this office.

BAKER—In a bread and cake bakery; want a situation in the country or the city; country preferred. Charlie Weiss, 900 S. 17th st.

BAKER—Good, reliable bread and cake baker; wants position, country or city. E. R. 1206 S. 14th st.

COOK—All-round cook wants work. Ad. T 388, this office.

COACHMAN—Situation wanted by coachman; thoroughly understands his business; no objections to country. F. Hughes, 3454 Lincoln av.

COACHMAN—Wanted, situation as coachman by experienced man; married; Ad. F 379, this office, and call him at 379, this office.

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CARPENTER—A young man of 26, carpenter, wants situation in wholesale house; not afraid of work. Ad. O 307, this office.

FARM HAND—Young man wants situation as farm hand; can do all kinds of farm work. F. R. Phelps, Eldorado Springs, Mo.

MAN—Situation wanted by aged, honest man; sleeping room or board for work in business or private family. Phillips, 614 S. Broadway.

MAN—Wanted, situation by man of 34; wife and two children to support; good reference and good if required. Ad. J 370, this office.

MAN—Energetic and capable business man wants any kind of office work. Ad. N 372, this office.

MAN—Wanted, by experienced young man, situation in private family to tend horse, cow, garden, etc. Ad. L 306, this office.

MAN—Wanted, work by married man; sober and industrious; references. Ad. 1446 Cass av., rear, F. R. M.

MAN—First-class washman wants situation. Ad. L 372, this office.

NIGHT CLERK—Situation wanted as night clerk in rooming hotel by man; always reliable; industrious; high references. Ad. J 370, this office.

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TWENTY-SIXTH WARD FIGHTS.

The Question of Gold and Silver Still Cuts a Figure in Precinct Rivalries.

Democrats are anxiously awaiting the settlement of the contests over the election of Precinct Committee. The Committee on Privileges and Elections finished the taking of testimony Saturday night, and Tuesday afternoon it will meet in Given Campbell's office, in the Bank of Commerce building, to make its decision.

The complex questions over the irregularities in the First and Nineteenth Wards may cause some trouble and the committee will not finish its labors before Wednesday night. It is expected that the Committee on Privileges and Elections will have to report not later than Thursday night. At any rate, Chairman Devoe will probably call a meeting of the committee on Wednesday night for some day this week to hear the report on the election of Precinct Committee. The general opinion seems to be that the whole committee will not reverse any decisions made by the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

It is generally believed that the committee will practically turn down Col. Ed Butler's men in the First and Nineteenth Wards. James J. Butler and John J. Butler, Jr., committee men will be seated in the First, and three or four Butler men in the Nineteenth, it is said.

"Well, if they give us only three or four men in each ward they might as well give us nothing, and turn us down altogether," said James J. Butler, as he stood in the theater and heard a comedian sing "There Are Others."

"I say that the precinct committee elected by Alderman Cronin's 'push' in the First Ward are not entitled to their seats, because their alleged election was a farce. Meetings were not held in some places by them, and in places where meetings were held the proceedings were before 8 o'clock, the legal hour for calling them to order."

"Therefore, if one precinct committee is thrown out of all of them ought to be thrown out. The Butler forces held meetings on the sidewalks at places where they were excluded or could not find a mass-meeting in progress, and they elected precinct committees in regular form. The committee turns us down it will be doing us an injustice and will be doing us a disservice on the political rascality of the anti-Butlerites in the First Ward."

"Why talk about seating those Cronin committee men to recognize open and bold fraud, and I thought this reorganization scheme was supposed to be for harmony, with a capital 'H'. For instance, in one precinct in the First Ward, 'Buck' Gulon brought over a band of Indians' from the Third Ward to vote against the Butler forces. The vote was 100 to 0 in favor of the Cronin men and Gulon's illegal voters heard that re-enforcements for the Butler forces were coming, and they ran out of the hall and went over into the Third Ward and held a mass-meeting. That is the kind of thing that is going on in the ward to hold a meeting."

It is said that Col. Ed Butler is remaining comparatively quiet, awaiting the action of the committee on the contests in the First and Nineteenth Wards, and that if he is turned down he will not be any warmer for the Democratic candidates on election day.

"The Nineteenth Ward may yet turn up a Republican majority to teach a few persons a lesson," is the threat made by a professional bondsman who makes many a dollar by baiting out thugs and thieves and bad characters to Democratic candidates. As a candidate he would be a dead weight on the City Democratic ticket.

Boss Butler, it is said, may allow John Cronin to be renominated and then "throw him in the air" on election day. This would be a sweet revenge for Cronin's part in aiding the Brady to "roll" Jim Butler in the Senatorial convention for John P. Collins.

Democrats are having a lively fight in old Butchertown, in the twenty-sixth ward. Andy Blong, the old ward committeeman, prepared a slate for precinct committeemen and ward committee men. He said some trickery was used to elect his men, so that they could, in turn, elect him as ward committeeman on May 4 next.

The Workingmen's Bryan Club of the Twenty-sixth Ward met last night at the Lee is President and John McAuliffe Secretary, is opposing Blong in every precinct. "Blong is a gold man and belongs to the Francis-Maffitt crowd," said Mr. McAuliffe supporting his slate now is the one that has knifed the Democratic ticket in the Twenty-sixth Ward time and time again. Every mother's son of them is a goldbug.

"The Workingmen's Bryan Club and its friends are silver Democrats, and they have been held in a fair and open manner. We would have beaten the Blong gang two to one in every precinct. As it was, we broke the slate and elected silver Democrats to the Twenty-sixth precinct. In nine precincts no possible grounds could be found for contest against our men. But Blong sees that we have a majority, and he has trumped up charges for contest in every ward where our men were elected. Of course, he hopes that the Committee on Privileges and Elections will decline in favor of the anti-Blong forces were circulated by Mr. Bradshaw's enemies in order to injure his chances of appointment as Election Commissioner."

Andy Blong is an ex-baseball player who was formerly in the old City Committee from the Seventeenth Ward, where he still resides. There was a vacancy in the old committee, caused by the death of the Twenty-sixth Ward member, and Blong, having made arrangements to move out into the Twenty-sixth ward, was appointed to the vacancy, against the protest of over 40 Democrats in that ward. Blong was really defeated.

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DEMAND A YOUNG MAN.

Question of Traffic Manager a Knotty One for the Exchange.

The directors of the Merchants' Exchange will meet Monday afternoon to consider plans for a traffic bureau for the Exchange and the appointment of a successor to Col. Leeds.

Directors Booth and Spencer are said to favor the plan of consolidation with the traffic department of the Business Men's League, but this having been voted down they will endeavor to secure the appointment of Col. Leeds as Traffic Manager of the Merchants' Exchange. This plan it is said will be bitterly opposed by President Langenberg and W. P. Kennett, who do not believe that the results attained by Mr. Leeds as Secretary of the Transportation Committee justify his reappointment. They are in favor of the selection of a younger and more energetic man who will be capable of securing concessions from the railroad companies.

There are a number of applications for the position, but none has received any consideration, as the question of salary will have to be decided before any appointment can be made.

NEARLY FRAPPED THE WATCHMAN.

TWO SAFE-BLOWERS ATTEMPT A DARING JOB IN ALTON.

WORKED WITH GUNPOWDER.

In the Meantime Fred Uffert, Locked in a Cold Storage Room, Shivered.

Safe-blowers tried hard Sunday morning to rob the Alton Packing and Refrigerating Company, their work being marked with unusual boldness and skill. While they worked Fred Uffert, the night watchman, shivered with chills in a cold storage room where the burglars had locked him up.

Uffert was going his rounds about 2 o'clock when he noticed a light in the company's office. He went in to see what was the cause, and he found out when two men greeted him with a stern command to keep quiet. Both men were dressed in civilian clothes, and they threw him to the floor and tied him with cords.

"Stand up, now, and go before us!" they commanded. Then they marched Uffert to the basement of the building and thrust him into a cold storage vault. The temperature was much below the freezing point, but the robbers had no pity on the overworked watchman.

They returned leisurely to the office and getting out their tools began work in earnest. A large hole was drilled in the large iron safe and this plugged up with a heavy charge of gunpowder. A fuse was attached and lighted, and then the men waited for safety. The explosion came with a noise which shook the building and the iron safe stood firm.

Uffert, who had awoke the neighborhood burglars evidently were frightened, as they did not make any further attempt to blow off the door. They had been in the vault for some time, and had made a hole in the safe, but they did not make any further attempt to blow off the door. They had been in the vault for some time, and had made a hole in the safe, but they did not make any further attempt to blow off the door.

THADDEUS S. SMITH DEAD.

Son of the Famous Actor, Sol Smith, Passes Away.

Thaddeus S. Smith, for more than fifty years a resident of St. Louis, died at his home, 400 West Pine street, Sunday evening. The funeral will be held at the residence Wednesday afternoon, and will be conducted by the Rev. Mr. Eby of the Swedish Evangelical Church, of which congregation Mr. Smith was a member.

Mr. Smith was 56 years old and leaves a wife and three daughters. He was a member of the actor, Sol Smith, and it is a coincidence that he died on the anniversary of his father's death. He had been in the city for some time, and had been a member of the actor, Sol Smith, and it is a coincidence that he died on the anniversary of his father's death.

Mr. Smith was born in Mobile, Ala., but came to St. Louis when a child. He entered the service in the Civil War, and became a Lieutenant. Later he served in the navy as an engineer.

After the war he returned to the city and became a brick-yard owner, continuing in the business until ill-health compelled him to retire.

ALL FROM A BAD COLD.

John Gory Began Dosing It and Both Arms Broke.

John Gory, an advertising agent, at 1015 South Broadway, is laid up at the City Hospital with both arms broken. He also has numerous bruises.

He cannot imagine how he received his injuries. "I was suffering from a bad cold," he said, "and had been suffering for two or three days. Last night I went into a place at Sixth and Market streets, and I took the usual remedy for a bad cold. I took several doses and the next thing I knew I was here with both arms in splints and my body racked with pain."

From the North to the South Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is the preventive of colds.

FUNERAL OF R. L. SHARP.

Condition of His Prostrated Wife Now Much Improved.

The funeral services of Richard L. Sharp, who committed suicide in Port St. Louis, were conducted by the Rev. W. A. Foster of the First Christian Church, at 406 West Pine street, Sunday afternoon. The large parlors of the house were filled with the guests of the bereaved family. The funeral was a very private one. The pall-bearers were chosen from among Mr. Sharp's business friends in the lumber business. The burial was private.

The condition of Mrs. Sharp is very much improved, and she is now regarded as out of danger. Though prostrated by the shock of her husband's death, she is doing as well as can be expected.

KILLED HIMSELF FOR A FAT SHEN.

THE MYSTERY OF CHARLES LESLIE'S SUICIDE EXPLAINED.

HE LOVED CLEO LINDELL.

She Is Corrupt and Immoral, but He Had a Grand Passion for Her.

When Charles Leslie, a grocer at Twenty-first and Wash streets, died of morphine poisoning Saturday, no one could assign a cause of death. No bottle or box that had contained poison could be found, and it was thought death was due to an accident.

It has developed that the man killed himself deliberately while drunk, after having gone to a disreputable house to say goodbye to the woman with whom he was infatuated. He said he was unhappy and wanted to die.

The woman who supplanted Mrs. Leslie in her husband's affections is Cleo Lindell, an inmate of the Phillips establishment on Chestnut street. She is said to have some of the accomplishments of the woman who captured Leslie, but she is otherwise of uncertain years. She would not be picked out of a crowd as the woman who would drive a man to suicide, but she is a time-honored principle that "there are others."

Leslie had been visiting the Lindell woman for over a year, and some of his visits had been of a highly sensational character. Once he came to the Lindell woman, and she told him that she was going to reform him. He said he would do anything to reform her, and he said he would do anything to reform her.

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DEPUTY SHERIFF BUDDIE TRIES TO FREE A PRISONER.

THE MAN WAS HIS FRIEND.

"Butch" Wagner Refused the Command and the Devoted Chum May Be Punished.

Deputy Sheriff Buddie, inspired by the spirit of friendship and presumably a liberal allowance of drinks, tried to override Jailer "Butch" Wagner, the Grand Jury and all the other law and order authorities Sunday evening because his friend, John Herman, was locked up in jail.

Buddie, with no authority but his nerve, went to the jail and, after a short talk with Jailer "Butch" Wagner, he went to the door of the jail and demanded of the guard that he deliver John Herman, who, but a short time before, had been locked up.

The guard refused, and Buddie made a great bluster and roar. Then he went to Jailer Wagner's home, which is situated in the same block as the Court House. The jailer was at supper, when Buddie and a man who accompanied him, went into the parlor. When Wagner went in to see what was wanted, Buddie said:

"I want you to turn John Herman over to me immediately."

"Where is your order?" said the Jailer, with visions of bold escapes passing before his mind.

"That ain't no order at all," said Buddie. "Of course I do," said Wagner. "Get an order from Capt. Huebner or Sheriff Troll, and then maybe I'll think about it."

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LET THE THIEF KEEP HIS BOOTY.

JUDGE MURPHY MAKES ANOTHER COMIC OPERA BULING.

PRISONER TOLD HE MAY GO.

Last Chapter in the Highway Robbery of the Festive and Bibulous "Widow Jones."

James McComish, who sandbagged Mrs. Kate N. Beattie at Eighth street and Washington avenue on the night of Feb. 3, was in Judge Murphy's court Monday. No evidence was adduced.

Murphy kept up that wonderful reputation he has made by not only discharging the prisoner, but ordered that the purse he had stolen and that had been identified be turned over to him.

Mrs. Beattie was in court, but she was anxious that the case be dismissed. After a brief conference between the counsel for the defendant and the State, Judge Murphy announced his decision. When Mrs. Beattie saw her purse turned over to the man who had robbed her eyes opened wide with astonishment. Before she could speak, however, McComish's attorney had taken the purse from him and handed it back to its owner. Mrs. Beattie received it.

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DEPUTY SHERIFF BUDDIE TRIES TO FREE A PRISONER.

THE MAN WAS HIS FRIEND.

"Butch" Wagner Refused the Command and the Devoted Chum May Be Punished.

Deputy Sheriff Buddie, inspired by the spirit of friendship and presumably a liberal allowance of drinks, tried to override Jailer "Butch" Wagner, the Grand Jury and all the other law and order authorities Sunday evening because his friend, John Herman, was locked up in jail.

Buddie, with no authority but his nerve, went to the jail and, after a short talk with Jailer "Butch" Wagner, he went to the door of the jail and demanded of the guard that he deliver John Herman, who, but a short time before, had been locked up.

The guard refused, and Buddie made a great bluster and roar. Then he went to Jailer Wagner's home, which is situated in the same block as the Court House. The jailer was at supper, when Buddie and a man